

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5203  
INFO AMCONSUL CASABLANCA  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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FOR REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE CASABLANCA

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SENV, SO  
SUBJ: INQUIRY REGARDING POSSIBLE SOMALI WHALING ACTIVITIES

REFS: A) STATE 192736; B) LONDON 13603

IN CONVERSATION WITH ITALIAN MANAGER OF SOPRAL TUNA FISH  
CANNING FACTORY IN NORTHERN SOMALIA, EMBOFF LEARNED THAT  
THERE HAVE BEEN ISOLATED INSTANCES OF UNINTENTIONAL WHALE  
CATCHES IN NETS. THERE ARE NO COMMERCIAL WHALING OPERATIONS  
IN SOMALIA NOR ANY COMMERCIAL PROCESSING OF WHALE PRODUCTS  
BY SOMALI COMPANIES, ACCORDING TO SOPRAL MANAGER. HOWEVER,  
HE BELIEVES THAT SOVIET SHIPS OPERATING IN GULF OF ADEN  
CONDUCT WHALING OPERATIONS, AS DO JAPANESE SHIPS.  
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## Message Attributes

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